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7 a distance of at least one hundred feet from the front and rear of a vehicle equipped therewith.

SEC. 5. After the thirty-first (31st) day of December, 1953, it shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale or operate on the highways of the state of Iowa any venicle subject to registration under the provisions of chapter three hundred twenty-one (321), Code 1950, which has never been registered in this or any other state prior to January 1, 1954, unless such vehicle is equipped with a directional signal device of a type approved by the department and is in compliance with the provisions of section 4 of this Act. Motorcycles, motor scooters, bicycles with motor attached and semi-trailers and trailers less than forty (40) inches in width are exempt from the provisions of this section.

SEC. 6. When a vehicle is equipped with a directional signal device, such device shall at all times be maintained in good working condition.

No directional signal device shall project a glaring or dazzling light.

All directional signal devices shall be self-illuminated when in use while other lamps on the vehicle are lighted.

SEC. 7. Amend section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred twenty-two (321.422), Code 1950, by inserting following the word "lights" in the last line thereof the words, "and directional signals".

Approved April 23, 1953.

## CHAPTER 138

### MOBILE HOMES AND PARKS

# H. F. 827

AN ACT providing for licensing, inspection and regulation of mobile homes and mobile home parks, prescribing the standards and fees, and providing for regulations, enforcement procedure and penalties; to amend section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred fifty-seven (321.457), Code 1950, relating to maximum length of mobile homes; and to amend section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred thirty (321.130), Code 1950, relating to fees in lieu of taxes.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred fifty-seven (321.457), Code 1950, is hereby amended by striking the period (.) from line five (5) of subsection three (3) and adding thereto the following: ", except that a mobile home not in excess of a length of forty (40) feet may be drawn by any motor vehicle except a motor truck."

SEC. 2. The following definitions shall apply to this Act:

"1. 'Mobile Home' shall mean any vehicle used or so constructed as to permit its being used as a conveyance upon the public streets or highways and duly licenseable as such, and shall include self-propelled or non-self-propelled vehicles, so designed, constructed, reconstructed or added to by means of an enclosed addition or room in such manner as will permit the occupancy thereof as a dwelling or sleeping place for one or more persons, having no permanent foundation and supported by wheels, jacks or similar supports.

"2. 'Mobile home park' shall mean any site, lot, field or tract of 10 11 land upon which two or more occupied mobile homes are harbored, either free of charge or for revenue purposes, and shall include any 12 building, structure, tent, vehicle or enclosure used or intended for use 13 14 as part of the equipment of such mobile home park.

The term 'mobile home park' shall not be construed to include 15 16 mobile homes, buildings, tents or other structures temporarily main-17 tained by any individual, educational institution, or company on their own premises and used exclusively to house their own labor or stu-18

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- SEC. 3. No person, firm or corporation shall establish, maintain, conduct or operate a mobile home park within this state without first obtaining an annual license therefor from the state department of health. Such annual license shall be issued for the calendar year applied for and shall expire at midnight on December 31 of such year. Any mobile home park located in more than one municipality shall be dealt with as two separate mobile home parks.
- 1 The application for annual license to operate and maintain a mobile home park shall be made to the state department of health, at such office and in such manner as may be prescribed by regulations of that department; provided that when such mobile home park is located within a municipality, the application shall be filed with the local board of health who shall forward the same to the 5 state department of health.

The application for such annual license shall be in writing and upon such form as the state department of health may by regulation provide, and shall include the following information:

1. The full name and address of the applicant or applicants or names and addresses of the partners if the applicant is a partnership, 5 or the names and addresses of the officers if the applicant is a corporation, and present or last occupation of the applicant at the time of the filing of the application. 8 9

2. A legal description of the site, lot, field or tract of land upon which it is proposed to operate and maintain a mobile home park.

3. The proposed and existing facilities on and about such site, lot, field or tract of land for the proposed construction or alteration and maintaining of a sanitary community building for toilets, urinals, sinks, wash basins, slop sinks and showers, drains, laundry facilities, source of water supply; sewage, garbage and waste disposal.

4. The proposed method of lighting the structures and site, lot, field or tract of land upon which said mobile home park is to be located.

5. Designate the calendar months of the year in which applicant will operate said mobile home park.

6. Plans and drawings for new construction, including buildings, wells, and sewage disposal systems, not in existence at the time of the application.

The application for the first annual primary license shall SEC. 6. be submitted with all plans and specifications enumerated in section four (4),\* and payment of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each

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mobile home park with facilities for twenty (20) or fewer mobile homes, or fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each mobile home park with facilities for more than twenty (20) mobile homes, and shall be accompanied by an approved permit from the municipality whereon the park is to be located, or a statement that the municipality does not require an approved permit. In the event a mobile park has facilities for three or less mobile homes, the annual license fee shall not exceed ten dollars (\$10.00).

Each year thereafter, the license fee shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). All annual license fees collected by the department of

health shall be deposited with the state treasurer.

When the application is received by the state department of health, it shall promptly cause the mobile home park and appurtenances thereto to be inspected. When such inspection and report has been made and the state department of health finds that all requirements of this Act and such conditions of health and safety as the state department of health may require have been met by the applicant, the state department of health shall forthwith issue such annual primary license in the name of the state.

- SEC. 7. During the pendency of the application for such annual primary license, any change in the sanitary or safety facilities of the intended mobile home park shall be immediately reported in writing to the state department of health to the office to which the application was made. If no objection is made by the state department of health to such a change in such sanitary or safety facilities within sixty (60) days of the date such change is reported, it shall be deemed to have the approval of the state department of health.
- SEC. 8. When the application has been approved, the state department of health shall issue a permit to the applicant to construct or make alterations pertaining to water and sewage disposal upon a mobile home park and the appurtenances thereto according to the plans and specifications presented with the approved application.

  No approval of plans and specifications and issuance of a permit

No approval of plans and specifications and issuance of a permit to construct or make alterations upon a mobile home park and the appurtenances by the state department of health shall be construed

as having been approved for other than sanitation.

Such a permit does not relieve the applicant from securing building permits in municipalities having a building code; or from complying with any other municipal ordinance or ordinances, applicable thereto, and not in conflict with this statute.

SEC. 9. If the application for a permit to construct or make alterations upon a mobile home park and the appurtenances thereto, or a primary license to operate the same, is denied by the state department of health, it shall so state in writing, giving the reasons for denying the application. If the objection can be corrected, the applicant may amend his application and resubmit it for approval, and if denied the applicant may within thirty (30) days thereafter appeal from the decision of the state board of health to the district court of the county in which said mobile home park is located, and the case shall be tried in equity.

SEC. 10. In addition to the primary and annual license fee provided for in section five (5),\* each licensee is hereby required to pay 3 for each occupied mobile home occupying space within such licensed mobile home park a monthly fee as follows: For trailers up to thirty (30) feet in length, two dollars (\$2.00) per month or major fraction thereof; for trailers from thirty (30) to thirty-five (35) feet in length, two and one-half dollars (\$2.50) per month or major fraction thereof; and for all trailers over thirty five (35) feet in length, three dollars (\$3.00) per month or major fraction thereof which monthly 9 10 fee shall be paid by the licensee on or before the tenth (10th) day 11 of the month, following the month for which such additional fee is 12 due, in the manner herein prescribed. In computing the length here-13 in above described, the total length therein set out shall expressly 14 include the trailer hitch or such other permanent extensions as may 15 be attached to said trailer used or designed for use as a trailer hitch. 16 Provided, however, that the licensee of a mobile home park shall not 17 be required to collect or pay a monthly fee, as herein provided, for 18 any space occupied by a mobile home accompanied by an automobile, 19 if such mobile home and automobile bear license plates issued by any 20 other state other than the state of Iowa, for an accumulated period 21 not to exceed ninety (90) days in any twelve (12) month period; 22 provided, further, that all occupants of the said mobile home with accompanying automobile are tourists or vacationists. When one or more persons occupying a mobile home bearing a foreign license 23 24 are employed within the state of Iowa, there shall be no exemption 25 26 for monthly fees. In the event that an occupied mobile home is not 27 harbored in a mobile home park the owner of said mobile home shall pay a monthly fee in the amount and in the manner as has heretofore been provided in this section. Each mobile home park licensee is 28 29 30 hereby required to keep an accurate and complete record of the num-31 ber of units of mobile homes harbored in his park and to report such 32 information on or before the tenth (10th) day of each month to the county assessor and the records of every such licensee shall be open 33 34 to inspection by the county assessor.

SEC. 11. The monthly fee for each occupied mobile home situated upon a licensed mobile home park shall be paid by the licensee thereof, or by the owner where the mobile home is not situated in a mobile home park, to the county treasurer of the county wherein such licensed mobile home park or mobile home is situated, on or before the tenth (10th) day of each and every month following thereafter. Such monthly fee is hereby allocated and required to be paid by the county treasurer as follows:

treasurer as follows:

For each monthly fee collected by the county treasurer, fifty percent (50%) shall be paid to the local public school district wherein said licensed mobile home park or mobile home is located; twenty-five percent (25%) shall be paid to the municipal corporation wherein said licensed mobile home park or mobile home is located, and twenty-five percent (25%) shall be retained for the general fund by the county treasurer. If there is no municipality, fifty percent (50%) shall be retained by the county treasurer for the general fund.

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- SEC. 12. When the state department of health has approved an application for permit to construct or make alterations upon a mobile home park or the appurtenances thereto or a license to operate and maintain the same, it shall retain the original and keep a file thereof. One copy shall be returned to the applicant or his agent, one copy to the local board of health, if the mobile home park is located within the limits of a municipality.
- 1 SEC. 13. The state department of health shall furnish all necessary 2 forms to be executed in making application for all licenses under 3 this Act.
- SEC. 14. It shall be the duty of the state department of health to notify, or cause to be notified, the treasurer of each municipality of the issuance of each mobile home park license issued within the jurisdiction of such municipality.
- SEC. 15. Any mobile home park owned and operated by any municipality or political subdivision of this state shall meet all provisions of this Act.
  - SEC. 16. If any applicant for a mobile home park license desires to operate such mobile home park only during the months from May 1 to October 1, they should pay only one-half  $(\frac{1}{2})$  of the above-mentioned annual license fee, but should pay the full monthly fees hereinbefore required for each month of operation. If in the opinion of the state department of health the sanitary and facility requirements herein contained are too rigid for the mobile home park, it may in writing or by regulation modify such requirements as circumstances may permit and require.
  - SEC. 17. The department shall have full authority to prescribe reasonable rules and regulations for the administration and enforcement of this Act, in addition hereto and not inconsistent herewith. All rules and regulations shall be filed and entered by the department in its office in an index, permanent book or record, with the effective date thereof suitably indicated, and such book or record shall be a public document. Whenever a new ruling or regulation is adopted by the department, a copy of the same shall be mailed by it to each licensee hereunder. All rules and regulations issued shall be in conformity with the provisions of chapter fifty-one (51), Acts of the Fifty-fourth (54th) General Assembly.
- SEC. 18. Any license granted hereunder shall be subject to revocation or suspension by a court of proper authority and jurisdiction, 3 and the state department of health shall first serve or cause to be served a written notice specifying a way or ways in which said licensee has failed to comply with the Act, or any special rules or regu-5 lations promulgated by the state department of health pertaining 7 thereto. Said notice shall direct the licensee to remove or abate such nuisance, unsanitary or objectionable condition specified in said notice within five days, or within such reasonable period of time or extended 10 period of time as may be reasonably allowed by the complaining officer. If the licensee fails to comply with the terms and conditions 11 of said notices, within the time specified or such extended period or 12 a period of time, the complaining officer may require the county at-

- torney of the county in which such violation occurred to start a civil action to remove or abate such nuisance, unsanitary, unhealthful, or objectionable condition as complained of in the court of proper au-
- 17 thority and jurisdiction of the city or county in the name of the state
- 18 of Iowa, and if found guilty a decision may be entered by the court 19 to revoke or suspend such license.
- SEC. 19. Any person violating any provision of this Act shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) or be imprisoned in the county jail for not more than six (6) months or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- SEC. 20. The licenses and fees provided for in this Act shall be in addition to any licenses and fees provided for in chapter three hundred twenty-one (321), Code 1950.
- SEC. 21. Section three hundred twenty-one point one hundred thirty (321.130), Code 1950, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "This section shall not apply to occupied mobile homes.".
- SEC. 22. The state department of health shall have the power to delegate to local boards of health the duties of inspection and regulation of mobile home parks located within the jurisdiction of such local board of health, where, in the opinion of the state department of health, such delegation can best effectuate the policies of this Act. When said duties are so delegated, fifty percent (50%) of the annual license fee collected therefrom shall be turned over to the treasurer of the jurisdiction involved.
- SEC. 23. All mobile homes for which a monthly fee is collected under the provisions of this Act shall not be assessed for property tax but this exemption shall not apply to the property contained in any mobile home.

Approved May 21, 1953.

### CHAPTER 139

### MAXIMUM LENGTH OF CERTAIN VEHICLES

#### H. F. 222

AN ACT to amend section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred fifty-seven (321.457), Code 1950, relating to maximum length of certain vehicles.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred fifty-seven (321.457), Code 1950, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "apparatus" in line three (3) the following:

"and vehicles operated in the daytime when transporting poles,

"and vehicles operated in the daytime when transporting poles, pipe, machinery or other objects of a structural nature which cannot be dismembered readily when required for emergency repair of public service facilities or properties, and such vehicles transporting such objects operated at nighttime by a public utility when required for